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Rs. 1.4 cr. *Ganja* SEIZED

- 280-kg consignment originated in ODISHA
- Final destination was KERALAM
- Caught while passing through MYSURU

The 280-kg ganja consignment neatly packed in one and two kilograms packets.

City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar, DCPs Dr. Harsha Priyamvada and K.S. Sundar Raj and CCB Police team with the seized contraband.

Mysuru, June 8 (MTY&BCT)- In one of the biggest narcotics seizures in recent times, the City Crime Branch (CCB) Police have intercepted a major consignment of *ganja* (marijuana) on Bannur Road in Mysuru city, recovering 280 kilograms of the contraband valued at around Rs. 1.40 crore.

Acting on specific intelligence inputs, CCB officers launched a swift operation in the early hours of today and unearthed the illegal transport of narcotics being moved into the city. Four persons, Mohammad Zubair (40), Mudassir Ahmed, Abubakar Siddiq and Syed Mazhar, all aged between 30 and 40, have been arrested in connection with the case.

According to CCB sources, the Police received an anonymous tip-off at around 3.30 am that a large quantity of *ganja* was being transported from Malavalli to Mysuru in a truck, escorted by a car.

Following the alert, teams set up a checkpoint on Bannur Road near Nadanahalli Gate under Alanahalli Police Station limits and placed barricades near Hasiru Goodu Nursery. Acting on the specific input about a truck, all goods vehicles entering the city were intercepted till 4 am and checked. At least eight trucks were thoroughly searched before the Police stopped a ninth vehicle.

Escorted by a car

The vehicle, an Eicher truck (KA-51 AA-3352), which was being escorted by a car (KA-01-MG-1491), was initially found carrying coconut saplings. While some saplings were openly loaded and others packed in white gunny bags, a detailed search led CCB team to a concealed consignment of ganja hidden inside the bags.

(See *GANJA* on page 6)

Anti-rowdy squad at every Police Station

- Mysuru to roll out system next week
- 600 rowdy-sheeters under watch

Mysuru, June 8 (GA&BCT)- In a major move to curb rowdyism and strengthen crime prevention, Karnataka Police has directed the formation of dedicated 'anti-rowdy squads' in every Police Station to monitor rowdy sheeters, suspected offenders and anti-social elements.

Mysuru city is set to roll out the initiative from next week, with instructions already communicated to all Police Stations.

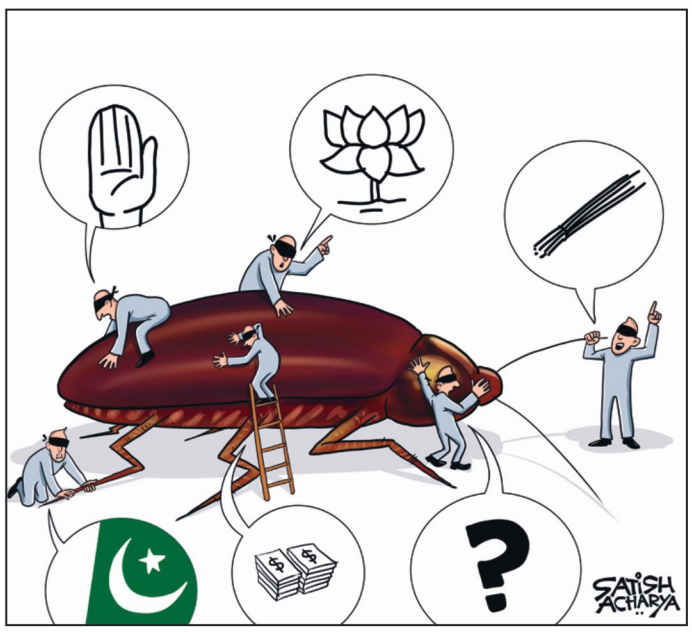
The move comes amid a renewed push by the State Government to crack down on organised crime and rowdy activities, even as the existing practice of maintaining rowdy and history sheets has faced legal scrutiny over concerns of arbitrary surveillance.

The order was issued by the Office of the Director General and Inspector General of Police (DG&IGP) on June 5 following a high-level meeting with Chief Minister D.K. Shivakumar.

(See ANTI-ROWDY SQUAD on page 6)

STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya



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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Monday 8th June 2026

Apprenticeship Mela at Govt. ITI in city on June 10

Mysuru, June 8- Government Industrial Training Institute (ITI) is organising Job and Apprenticeship Mela on June 10 from 9 am at its premises in N.R. Mohalla, Mysuru-Bengaluru Road, in city. Several reputed organisations are participating in the Mela to recruit candidates.

Candidates from the training centres in Mysuru and Srirangapatna and others who are undergoing training in various ITI trades and who have passed can avail this opportunity.

For more details contact Government Industrial Training Institute Vice- Principal Bopaiah on Mob: 99457-11787 or Training Officer M.H. Nagesh on Mob: 99456-16088, according to a press release.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

THE ART OF HEALTHY INQUISITIVENESS: *A few days ago, a friend was fuming and fretting over the 'filthy inquisitive' ways of her female colleague. "Her eyes, ears and even olfactory senses are eternally trained on everyone/everything around. So, she is always alert to even the slightest of sounds, smells and sights! Naturally, her own work would be ever shoddy, with not a scintilla of focus in it. Even if she sees a pack of wafers in my palms, with pinpoint precision, she'd parrot out its particular brand! I hate to utter this, but the unvarnished truth is how utterly uncouth it is to be that 'ultra-inquisitive'."*

Well, it is not uncommon to find these 'nosy parkers' everywhere, who are ever prying on what others are doing/talking about/even eating. Here, I recall the remarks of a relative, who often gets nettled over the noxious ways of her 'nosy neighbour': "This one fritters away colossal time in constantly keeping a close check on me. She has 360-degree, tirelessly roving eyes. She always keeps gawking at my attire and anatomy while ignoring awful stains on her own apparel."

The distraught words of both had me dive into deep deliberations. Truly, some of us surprisingly squander time and energy on studying others and their lifestyles. The plenitude of posts and pictures, posted on social media platforms, seems to be profusely pandering to people's prying minds. And the fabulous reward for fiery inquisitiveness is fluster/frustration in following up the 'superficial' funfilled posts.

Now, as an antidote, why not try assigning positive tweaks to negative inquisitive traits? For instance, say, at the workplace, when we identify an individual with inspiring qualities, we can be inquisitive enough to know how s/he imbibed those impressive attributes and later try instilling it in ourselves. Yes, one can foster feisty inquisitiveness in finding out about a fusillade of other things. Like, names of flowering trees during fun strolls in fabulous gardens; working of vehicle engines while commuting to work; significance behind several rituals/festivals … The diversified knowledge is akin to a deadly massive ocean and data stored in us doesn't equal even a droplet. Indubitably, there are dollops of knowledge to imbue rather than dissipating time in being 'unduly inquisitive of unneeded issues'— which delivers not a dime of dividend. — *Meera Seshadri in Deccan Herald*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Man drives Cybertruck into lake

Grapevine: Jimmy McDaniel was recently arrested for reckless driving. In his defense, he didn't endanger any other road users. That's because he didn't drive on the road. McDaniel got stuck after driving his Cybertruck into a lake.

He drove his vehicle into the lake to test its wading function. But his Cybetruck got stuck in the lake and he had to jump out, leaving the car in water.

The Cops arrived and found a Cybertruck in the lake. The EV was listing in the water, some 20 feet off the park's boat ramp.

When questioned by the police, McDaniel admitted to being the car's owner. He also said that he had intentionally driven the Cybertruck into the lake. McDaniel said that he wanted to test the car's Wade Mode.

Fortress in the middle of a field

Volgograd: A bizarre medieval-style fortress built in the middle of a meadow in Russia's Volgograd Region is the perfect place to survive the zombie apocalypse.

A 1,100-square-metre cottage on a 1.2-hectare plot in Peskovatka village, Russia, has recently been put on the market for the modest price of 40 million rubles ($550,000). Located on the banks of the Don River, a few hundred meters from the nearest home, this unusual property features high walls and several archer towers ready to take on attackers.

The fortress of Pekovatka is the property of local businessman and developer Vladimir Galaganov, who first went viral in Russia in 2021, when he first tried selling it via online real-estate platforms. Back then, he said that he had always dreamed of building his own castle and this project was as close as he was going to get.

Due to unspecified reasons, Galganov never got around to building the castle of his dreams, but he hopes that whoever ends up buying his medieval-style fortress will complete his project.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Clot Retrieval Can Save Brain Function

Large blood vessel occlusion stroke can be reversed with clot retrieval mechanical thrombectomy if the patient reaches hospital within 6 hours.

By Dr. Maqsood Ahmed - Senior Consultant
Neurosurgeon & Endovascular Surgeon, Manipal Hospitals Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

**** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature***

St. Anthony's feast at Dornahalli on June 13

Mysuru, June 8 (KS) - The Annual Feast of St. Anthony will be held on June 13 at the Church in Dornahalli, K.R. Nagar taluk.

The celebrations began on June 4 evening with the flag hoisting ceremony, led by Bishop of Mysuru Most Rev. Dr. Francis Serrao SJ, who conducted the mass.

One June 5, Rev. Msgr. M. Anthappa conducted a seminar and on June 6 Fr. Archibald Gonsalves conducted a sermon. On June 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, daily Novena Days' Mass and Preaching will be held.

On June 13, Feastal Mass will be led by Bishop of Mysuru Most Rev. Dr. Francis Serrao SJ.

Like every year, religious programmes will be held and a decorated chariot of St. Antony will be taken in a procession around the shrine in the evening.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284 feet**	Maximum **2,859 feet**
Today's level **81.35 feet**	Today's level **2,251.54 feet**	Today's level **2,823.52 feet**
Last year's level **108.15 feet**	Last year's level **2,279.36 feet**	Last year's level **2,851.54 feet**
Yesterday's level **81.35 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,251.56 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,823.39 feet**
Today's Inflow **528 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **598 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **350 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **436 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **600 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **180 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- ***Wombats are the only known animal in the world that naturally produce cube-shaped poop. They use their faeces to mark their territory and attract mates.***
- ***An adult wombat can produce up to 100 of these six-sided droppings every single night.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Santa at an interview...
Manager: Can you spell a word that has more than 100 letters in it?
Santa: *Post Box!!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= **Rs. 95.60**
1 UK Pound	= **Rs. 127.37**
1 UAE Dirham	= **Rs. 26.03**
1 Euro	= **Rs. 110.09**

VOICE OF THE READER

Poor road restoration in Saraswathipuram

Sir,

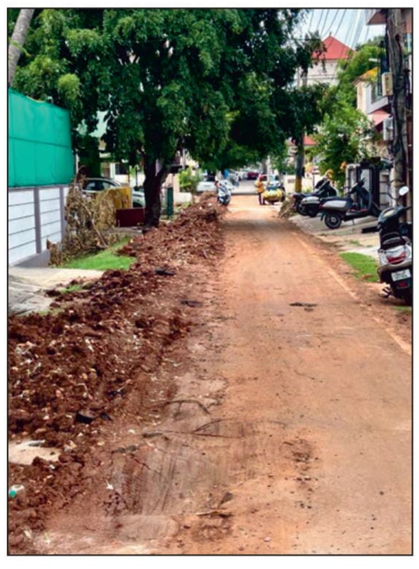
I wish to draw the attention of the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) authorities to the plight of residents of 5th Main Road, 6th Cross, Saraswathipuram.

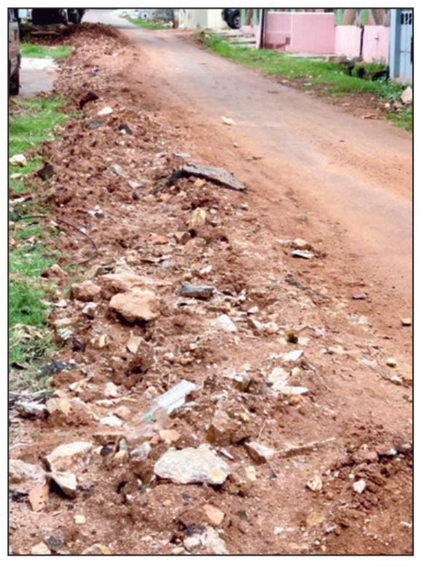
Around ten days ago, the road in our locality was dug up for civic works. Though the trench has since been filled, the road surface has not been properly levelled or restored.

For the past four to five days, no workers have been seen at the site and the road remains in a highly uneven and dusty condition.

This area is home to several senior citizens who are finding it extremely difficult to walk safely on the damaged stretch. Two-wheeler riders, car owners and pedestrians are all facing daily inconvenience.

The loose mud, uneven surface and exposed patches have made commuting hazardous, particularly during the night and for elderly residents. There is also the risk of accidents and





damage to vehicles.

Residents have repeatedly contacted MCC officials seeking intervention, but no meaningful action has been taken. Instead, residents are being directed from one official to another, with each department passing responsibility elsewhere. This lack of coordination has left the issue unresolved for days, causing hardship to residents and raising concerns about civic accountability.

Mysuru is known for its well-maintained civic infrastructure and such negligence not only causes inconvenience but also affects the quality of life of residents. We therefore urge the MCC authorities to immediately complete the levelling work and restore the road to a safe and motorable condition before it leads to accidents or further hardship.

—R. Meera

Saraswathipuram 5.6.2026

Rotary Midtown award ceremony on June 10

Mysuru, June 8 (GA&VNS)- Rotary Mysore Midtown, in association with Circuitronica, has instituted the "Rotary Midtown Circuitronica Startup Award," an annual award aimed at identifying, recognising and motivating promising startups that are contributing to the growth of the region's innovation ecosystem, said Rotary Mysore Midtown President Rtn. K.L. Rakesh Babu.

Addressing media persons at Pathrakarthara Bhavan here yesterday, he said that the award seeks to celebrate entrepreneurial excellence, foster innovation-driven enterprises and inspire aspiring entrepreneurs to build impactful and sustainable businesses from Mysuru.

The inaugural edition of the award will honour LeePraTechnologies Private Limited, a Mysuru-based startup.

Former Mysuru-Kodagu MP Prathap Simha will be the chief guest at the award presentation ceremony to be held on June 10 at Rotary Children's Library Hall on JLB Road at 7 pm.

Green Property Tag: Deadline

Mysuru, June 8- Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has extended the deadline from June 4 to 15 for property owners to apply for 'Green Property Tag,' an initiative to encourage environmental conservation, sustainable urban development and eco-friendly lifestyles.

Interested citizens and institutions can register their properties through *Google Form https://forms.gle/mm63zdmcXDyW3byA9* before June 15. For details, contact MCC Executive Engineer (Environment Section) on Ph: 0821-2418800/2418816 or Mob: 94498-41195 or 94498-41196.

Ek Sham Mohammed Aziz Ke Naam...

Musical event held in city

Mysuru, June 8 (KS) - *'Ek Sham Mohammed Aziz Ke Naam,'* a Musical Nite programme, organised in memory of legendary playback singer late Mohammed Aziz was held at Dasara Exhibition Grounds in city recently.

Organised by Asif of Sahil Melodies and coordinated by former Corporator Suhail Baig, noted playback singer from Kolkata Bijay Azeez presented super hit songs of late Mohammed Aziz such as *Parwardigar e alam mohtaj hain tere hum, Tere naam ke sahare be dum me aayega dum* from Hindi film *Allah Rakha*. Qawwali was presented by Bakash, Tahir, Shahid, Iftekhar and Athaulla. Later, Reshmi Lehri and Asma rendered a few hit songs and enthralled the audience. Athaulla sang a Kannada song from the film *Ashwamedha* and Tahir sang *Bombe Helutaithe* from the film *Rajakumara*.

K.R. Hospital Resident Medical Officer (RMO) Dr. Nayaz Pasha was felicitated by KEA Chairman Ayub Khan and former Mysore District Wakf Advisory Committee Chairman Ghayas Ahmed Akram. Aftab Ahmed compered. Former Corporator Suhail Baig proposed the vote of thanks.

Applications invited

Mysuru, June 8 - The Department of School Education has invited applications for vacant Block Integrated Education Resource Teacher (BIERT) primary and high school teacher posts as per RCE rules. Candidates who have Special D.Ed. and Special B.Ed. qualifications can apply for the year 2026-27 under direct contract basis.

Interested candidates may submit relevant certificates, marks card, RCI Registration Certificates and others either in person or through post to Office of Deputy Director (Admin.) and District Project Coordinator, Department of School Education, Joint Director Office premises, D. Subbaiah Road, Mysuru-570004 before 5 pm on June 16.

For details contact Mob:94806-95455 or 94489-99404.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Free tailoring classes

Dr. Babasaheb B.R. Ambedkar Sneha Souharda Sangha, having office at Cauvery Grameena Bank building, Alanahalli, T. Narasipur Main Road, has invited applications from eligible unemployed women for admission to 3-month-long free tailoring class. The eligible women should have a minimum qualification of a pass in 5th standard. The successful women will be distributed certificates. Last date for registration is June 30. For details, contact Mob: 97392-71882, according to a press release from the Sangha President.

Applications invited for financial aid

The Ministry of Labour and Employment has invited online applications from children of labourers working in Lime stone/ Dolomite/ Iron/ Chrome/ Manganese Ore Mines and children of Beedi and Cinema workers for availing financial assistance to pursue education. The children studying in classes from 1st to 12th standards are eligible to apply. While the last date for applying for students of 1st to 10th standards is Aug. 31, the last date for those studying in classes 11th standard and above is Oct. 31. For details, contact Mob: 91482-40554, according to a press release from the Ministry of Labour and Employment.

Pratibha Puraskar for Muslim students

Mysuru District Unit of Karnataka State Government Muslim Employees Welfare Association, Bengaluru, has invited applications from meritorious Muslim community students from Mysuru district who have scored more than 85 percent marks in 10th/ 12th standard (Central syllabus) or more than 90 percent marks in SSLC & PUC (State Syllabus) in the academic year 2025-26, for presentation of Pratibha Puraskar. Eligible students can send their application, along with required documents, to: Aziz Khan, No. 852, 2nd Cross, 2nd Stage, Rajivnagar, Mysuru - 570019, by post, before June 17. For details, contact Mob: 98809-72551 or 98458-29225, according to a press release from the Association President.

Ayurveda camp

JSS Ayurveda Hospital, Lalithadripura Road, Alanahalli, has organised acupuncture treatment and yoga camp for neck and back pain from June 8 to 20. Camp will be open from 9.30 am to 4.30 pm on all working days. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2548231 or Mob: 96320-00697.

Beware of 'UPI for cash' scam

Petrol bunk staff helps strangers claiming family emergency; lands in trouble

Mysuru, June 8 (GA&BCT)- A new form of cyber fraud has surfaced in Mysuru city, with fraudsters exploiting people's sympathy by fabricating family emergencies and persuading unsuspecting strangers to exchange cash for UPI transfers.

Victims who agree to help often find themselves facing an unexpected ordeal, as the money credited to their accounts is linked to cybercrime cases registered in other States.

In some instances, their bank accounts have been subjected to lien markings (temporarily frozen or blocked) by investigating agencies.

The *modus operandi* is simple. Fraudsters approach members of the public claiming that a parent is seriously ill, has met with an accident or requires urgent medical treatment.

They request immediate cash and assure the victim that the amount will be transferred digitally through UPI. Once the money is handed over, the recipient later discovers that the transferred funds are linked to cyber fraud.

Case at Alanahalli petrol bunk

One such incident was reported at a petrol bunk in Alanahalli on May 25. Around 6 pm, two unidentified men approached the cashier, claiming that their father was unwell and urgently needed money. They said, a friend would transfer the amount online and requested cash in return.

Moved by their plea, the cashier shared his PhonePe number linked to his bank account. Within minutes, Rs. 98,000 was credited from an unknown account, following which he handed over the cash to the men.

Second UPI transfer

The following day, at around 3 pm, another pair of strangers approached the petrol bunk with a similar story. Believing the request to be genuine, the staff once again accepted a PhonePe transfer of Rs. 98,000 and handed over the equivalent amount in cash.

However, later that night, the cashier received a call from a colleague informing him that the Rs. 98,000 credited to his account had been flagged in connection with a cyber fraud case registered in Delhi. A lien of Rs. 95,237 had already been marked on his bank account.

On May 27, a friend informed him that Rs. 15,000 had also been debited from his account. Realising that they had been drawn into a cyber fraud network, the petrol bunk staff approached the city's Cyber Crimes, Economic Offences, and Narcotics (CEN) Police Station and lodged a complaint.

Mysuru has already witnessed a surge in cybercrime cases, with residents losing crores of rupees to online scams. Police say, this latest tactic represents a worrying trend, with fraudsters posing as distressed individuals to gain the trust of their targets.

Mysuru woman dies inhaling gas geyser fumes in Kodagu homestay

Madikeri, June 8 (PS&BCT)- A 27-year-old woman from Mysuru died after inhaling toxic fumes from a gas geyser while bathing at a homestay in Kodagu district yesterday.

The deceased has been identified as Vinutha, daughter of S. Jagannath and Renuka, residents of Siddarthanagar near Yeraganahalli, Mysuru.

According to the Police, Vinutha, who was employed with a private healthcare company and working from home, had travelled to Kodagu with a group of friends after taking two days' leave from work.

Vinutha

The group was staying at an estate homestay in Kalkandur village of Somwarpet taluk.

At around 6.30 am yesterday, Vinutha entered the bathroom to take a bath. It is suspected that toxic fumes emitted from a gas geyser accumulated inside the bathroom, which reportedly lacked adequate ventilation.

She is believed to have suffocated and died inside the bathroom. Somwarpet Police visited the spot and conducted an inspection. A case has been registered based on a complaint lodged by her father, S. Jagannath.

Following a post-mortem examination at the Somwarpet Government Hospital, the body was handed over to the family.

Mysterious sack creates panic in Lakshmipuram

Mysuru, June 8 (PM&KS)- A mysterious plastic sack found in front of a house created panic among the public prompting Police to rush to the spot. The Cops restricted public from going close to the mysterious sack and conducted an inspection.

The incident took place in front of a house near Lakshmipuram Post Office yesterday.

Though the plastic sack was found lying in front of the house since yesterday morning, the residents and public had not keenly observed the sack. But the residents of the house who observed the plastic sack lying in front of their house in the evening assumed that someone in a bid to tarnish their image may have thrown the sack in front of their house to cause problems.

The residents of the house panicked and fear gripped them as they thought that the plastic sack may contain explosives, weapons or items used for black magic and informed the jurisdictional Lakshmipuram Police.

Police, who rushed to the spot, pacified the panicked residents and instilled confidence in them. Later, two Cops went near the plastic sack but could not make out what was inside it and stood near the sack for some time. The two Cops then shook the plastic sack and saw red mud dust falling from it. They then opened the sack and emptied it only to find red mud, much to the relief of everyone.

But how did the plastic sack land in front of the house, was the question lingering in everyone's mind.

It is learnt that someone had dumped the sack containing red mud into the garbage collection vehicle and the sack had fallen off from the garbage vehicle while it was moving in front of the house.

Realtor loses Rs. 20.31 lakh to online trading

Mysuru, June 8 (GA&KS)- A realtor, believing his friend, invested his hard earned money into online trading and lost Rs. 20.31 lakh.

The realtor, who lost his money, is Rajan (name changed), a resident of SVP (Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel) Nagar in city.

In his complaint, Rajan has stated that in 2025, he came across a second-hand car dealer, who later became his friend as days went by.

The friend, who came to know that Rajan had debts, took advantage of it and had suggested Rajan to invest in online trading so that he could help him get huge profit and clear his debts following which Rajan agreed to invest money.

On Jan. 1, Rajan transferred Rs. 11,000 to the bank account as told by his friend. When Rajan asked his friend when he would get the profit, his friend told him to invest continuously so that he could give him huge profit. Believing his friend, Rajan invested a total of Rs. 20.31 lakh till Mar. 31.

As Rajan did not receive any profit, he called his friend over the phone on May 5 and informed him about not receiving any profit to which his friend told him that he would not give any profit and threatened him.

Realising that he has been cheated, Rajan called Cyber Crime Helpline number 1930 and lodged a complaint.

Mysore Travel Mart vital for tourism promotion: Hotelier G.K. Shetty

Mysuru, June 8 (VVH&VNS)- Mysore Travel Mart (MTM)-2026 has played a significant role in enhancing the global recognition of Mysuru's tourism and hospitality sectors, said Karnataka State Hotels Association (KSHA) President G.K. Shetty.

He was speaking at the valedictory ceremony of the three-day MTM-2026, organised by Mysuru Travels Association at Jagannatha Centre for Art and Culture (JCAC) in Vijayanagar yesterday. Stressing the importance of innovation, Shetty said, every profession must continuously adopt new ideas and creative approaches to remain relevant and progress. The tourism sector, too, needs to regularly introduce fresh concepts in tune with changing times to sustain growth, he added.

Observing that Mysuru remains one of Karnataka's most preferred tourist destinations, Shetty said, visitors continue to admire the city's rich art, culture and heritage. However, changing travel preferences and increasing dependence on mobile technology have altered tourist expectations.

"Today's travellers seek newer experiences and are often drawn towards beaches, resorts and other leisure destinations. In such a scenario, stakeholders in the tourism and hospitality industries must develop innovative concepts and ensure their effective implementation," he said.

Kerala Travel Mart: Shetty also underscored the need for Government support in organising Travel Marts, which contribute significantly to the State's economy. Referring to Kerala's Travel Mart, held once every two years, he said the event attracts nearly 3,500 tour operators from across the world. "We have similar potential. What is important is maintaining consistency in organising such events," he noted.

Speaking on the occasion, MTM-2026 Vice-Chairman C. Narayanagowda said, the event is organised biennially to promote tourist destinations in and around Mysuru. "Besides showcasing tourist attractions, the Mart also highlights local cuisine, lifestyle, art and culture to visitors," he said.

Karnataka Tourism Society President Shyam Raju, MCCI President K.B. Lingaraju and others were present.

Karnataka State Hotels Association (KSHA) President G.K. Shetty, who was felicitated during the valedictory of Mysore Travel Mart (MTM)-2026 at JCAC in Vijayanagar yesterday, is seen with** (from left) **MTM-2026 Chairman C.A. Jayakumar, Vice-Chairman C. Narayanagowda, Mysuru Travels Association President B.S. Prashanth, Hotel Owners Credit Co-operative Society President Narayana Hegde and Hotel Owners Association Charitable Trust President Ravi Shastri.

Obituary

Poyyetira Nishant Chengappa

Mysuru, June 8- Poyyetira Nishant Chengappa (37), son of P.S. Ganapathy (Hon. Secretary of BVB, Mysuru and former President of Kodava Samaja, Mysuru), passed away in city this morning following a heart attack.

He leaves behind his wife Malavi (Cheeyakapoovanda), son Vedh, parents (Gappu and Pushpa) and a host of relatives and friends. His body was kept at his parents' house 'Eshwar Prasad,' No. 225, 10th Cross, 5th Main, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, Mysuru, for people to pay their last respects. Cremation at Chirashantidhama in Gokulam today at 5 pm.

Ganesh

Ganesh (75), senior Congress leader, member of K.R. Constituency Guarantee Schemes Implementation Committee and Vice-President of Chikka Anjaneyaswamy Temple, passed away yesterday in city. He leaves behind his wife, one daughter and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill.

Centenarian Chennanayaka

Nanjangud: Chennanayaka (100), Akashvani artiste and a resident of Tayur village in the taluk, passed away at the village yesterday.

He leaves behind one son, four daughters and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were held in the village this noon.

Congress leader passes away

Suraj Hegde

Mysuru, June 8- Congress leader Suraj M.N. Hegde, who was the grandson of late former Chief Minister D. Devaraj Urs, passed away at a private hospital in Bengaluru following a heart attack on Sunday night. He was a resident of Dollars Colony in Bengaluru and also owned a house on Lalitha Mahal Road in Mysuru.

Suraj Hegde was AICC Secretary and State Guarantee Schemes Implementation Authority Vice-Chairman. He had served as the Congress party in-Charge of Tamil Nadu. Suraj was the son of Nagarathna, the second daughter of D. Devaraj Urs. He leaves behind his wife Shilpa Hegde, sons Samruddh Hegde and Vishruth Hegde and a host of relatives and friends.

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POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the undersigned being the authorized officer of the **The Muslim Co-operative Bank Ltd., Mysore** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest [4][Act, 2002 (54 of 2002)] and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with [5][rule 3] of the Security interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, and issued a Demand Notice under section 13(2) on the dates mentioned below calling therein upon the within-named Borrowers to repay the amount mentioned below within 60 (Sixty) days from the date of the said notice.

The within - named Borrower/Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is hereby given to them and the public in general that the undersigned has taken the possession of the properties described herein below in exercise of the powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 & 9 of the said Rule on the below mentioned date.

The Borrower/Borrowers in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the said property in any manner whatsoever and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **The Muslim Co-operative Bank Ltd., Mysore,** for the amount, interest & charges thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Section 13(8) of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Sl. No.	Name of Borrower and Guarantor	Descriptions of the property	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Amount Outstanding in Rs.
1.	**Sri Saleem Khan** **S/o Late Rahim Khan** Door No. EWS-410, 2nd Stage, Hudco, Bannimantap, Mysuru.	Mysuru City, Mandi Mohalla, Bannimantap Extension, Hudco 2nd Stage, EWS House Door No.410. **Measuring:** East-West: 20.00 Feet and North-South: 20.00 Feet. **Bounded by: East by**: EWS House No.411, **West by**: Vacant Site, **North by**: Road, **South by**: C.I.T.B. Site.	13.03.2026 NPA DATE 07.10.2024	03.06.2026	A/c No. HP-9015 Rs.4,82,954/- + With further interest & other charges from 11.03.2026
2.	**1) Smt. Ghazala Mohammadi** **D/o Munawar Ahmed** **2) Sri Mohammed Ziya** **S/o Iqbal Ahmed** Door No.621, Beedi Colony, Azeez Sait Nagar, Mysuru.	Mysuru City, Nazarbad Mohalla, Kyathamaranahalli Extension, Beedi Workers Colony, Azeez Sait Nagar, House Door No. LIG-621. **Measuring:** East-West: 6.50 Meters and North-South: 12.20 Meters. **Bounded by: East by**: House bearing No.620, **West by**: House bearing No.622, **North by**: Road, **South by**: House bearing No.600.	13.03.2026 NPA DATE 19.01.2026	03.06.2026	A/c No. HP-9471 Rs.10,86,404/- + With further interest & other charges from 11.03.2026
3.	**Smt. Tahera Bi (Deceased)** **W/o Abdul Basheer** **Legal Heirs:** **1) Sri Fayaz Ahmed** **S/o Abdul Basheer** **2) Sri Ayaz Ahmed** **S/o Abdul Basheer** **3) Smt. Farzana Banu** **D/o Abdul Basheer** Door No.2634, K.T. Street, Mandi Mohalla, Mysuru.	Mysuru City, Mandi Mohalla, Near Madar Sab Talim, Door No.2634, New No.304, **Measuring:** East-West: 30½ Feet and North-South: 20¾ Feet. **Bounded by: East by**: Road, **West by**: Remaining Portion of Door No.2634, **North by**: Shaikh Mohiddin Sab's Property, **South by**: Lal Khan's Property.	13.03.2026 NPA DATE 09.01.2025	03.06.2026	A/c No. HP-9003 Rs.4,81,223/- + With further interest & other charges from 11.03.2026
4.	**1) Sri Chand Pasha** **S/o Late Syed Munavar** **2) Sri Syed Farhaz Pasha** **S/o Chand Pasha** Door No.3144, K.T. Street, Lashkar Mohalla, Mysuru.	**PART-1:** Mysore City, Lashkar Mohalla, Erekatte Street, Corporation House Door No.2590, New L-77/C. **Measuring: Northern Portion:** East-West: 4.00 Feet and North-South: 34.00 Feet. **Southern Side:** East-West: 35.00 Feet and North-South: 27.00 Feet. **Bounded by: East by**: Moosa's Property, **West by**: Sabiha Others Property & Salar Baig & Afzal's Property, **North by**: Road and Sabiha Others Property, **South by**: Galli. **PART-2:** Mysore City, Lashkar Mohalla, Erekatte Street, Corporation House Door No.2592/2, New L-76/2. **Measuring:** East-West: 12.00 Feet and North-South: 18.00 Feet. **Bounded by: East by**: Conservancy, **West by**: Moosa Mohammed's Property, **North by**: Syed Mukthar's Property, **South by**: Shaik Hasham's Property.	09.03.2026 NPA DATE 18.07.2023	03.06.2026	A/c No. HP-8842 Rs.34,90,074/- + With further interest & other charges from 05.03.2026

Date: 08.06.2026
Place: Mysore.

Sd/- Authorised Officer
The Muslim Co-operative Bank Ltd., Mysuru.

Rs.1.4 cr. *Ganja* seized

Zubair

Mudassir

Abubakar

Mazhar

The goods vehicle used for smuggling ganja. Picture in the middle shows how the dried ganja packets were concealed behind the coconut saplings while transporting them from Odisha to Keralam via Mysuru. *Pic. in extreme right:* ***The car which escorted the ganja-carrying vehicle.***

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Preliminary investigations indicate the involvement of an inter-State drug trafficking network. Officials suspect the consignment originated in Odisha and was being transported to Keralam via Karnataka, with Mysuru used as a transit route.

Police sources said the network involved multiple dealers and sub-dealers, with plans to distribute the contraband in both Mysuru and Kerala. Among those arrested, Mohammad Zubair is said to be a habitual offender with prior cases related to *ganja* trafficking, while the others are reportedly new to the network.

City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar said the accused are being interrogated and efforts are underway to trace the wider supply chain.

"The investigation is ongoing, and we are working to identify the larger network behind this operation," she said. CCB has registered a case and intensified efforts to dismantle the trafficking racket.

The operation was led by CCB Assistant Commissioner of Police Mohammad Sharif Rawther, along with Inspector Shabbir Hussain, Sub-Inspectors Lepaksha, Anil and Revannasiddappa and staff members including Chethan, Adam, Santhosh, Kiran, Sameer, Yeshwanth, Ajaram, Rajasaab, Satish, Siddaraju and Suresh Babu.

Anti-rowdy squad

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Compliance reports within seven days

DG&IGP Dr. M.A. Saleem has directed all Police divisions and stations across the State to constitute special squads. Police Commissioners, Inspectors General of Police (IGPs), Deputy Inspectors General (DIGs) and District Superintendents of Police (SPs) have been instructed to implement the order and submit compliance reports within seven days.

According to the circular, 'anti-rowdy squads' will be formed in every Police Circle under the supervision of the Circle Inspector.

Police Stations headed by Police Inspectors will also have separate Station-level squads. The composition of these squads will be decided by the Sub-Divisional Police Officer or the Assistant Commissioner of Police.

Curbing gang-related activities

Where necessary, individual Police Stations may constitute additional squads. Their primary responsibility will be to closely monitor rowdy sheeters, keep track of their activities and open rowdy sheets against new offenders.

The squads will focus on preventing gang-related activities, intimidation, extortion, forcible collections and other offences that threaten public peace.

The squads have been tasked with tracking the movements of rowdy sheeters, investigating criminal cases, ensuring execution of warrants and initiating legal action against habitual offenders. They will also gather local intelligence and conduct special raids and checks in sensitive and vulnerable areas.

Fortnightly review

Emphasising a zero-tolerance approach towards rowdyism, the circular mandates that Circle Inspectors and Station House Officers review squad activities every 15 days, while monthly reports must be submitted to senior officers.

Apart from maintaining updated records of rowdy sheeters and anti-social elements, the squads will conduct lawful surveillance of their activities, movements and associations.

The anti-rowdy squads have also been empowered to initiate preventive measures, including Preventive Action Reports (PAR), proceedings under the Goonda Act, the Karnataka Control of Organised Crime Act (KCOCA), 2000 and externment actions against habitual offenders.

Mysuru Police to track 600 rowdies, 90 notorious ones

Implementation within seven days: DCP (Law and Order)

Mysuru, June 8 (GA&BCT)- Mysuru city currently has around 600 rowdy sheeters, including 90 identified as notorious offenders, with the City Crime Branch's Rowdy Prevention Unit keeping a close watch on their movements.

Dr. Harsha Priyamvada

Officials said even minor disputes among youths are increasingly escalating into group clashes, with several incidents of murder reported in different parts of the city. Rivalry-driven revenge killings between gangs have also shown an uptick in recent times.

With the formation of dedicated anti-rowdy squads in every Police Station from next week, officials believe enforcement will become more coordinated and effective in curbing such activities.

"Orders have been issued to form Rowdy Squads in every Police Station in Mysuru city under Inspector-level leadership and implementation will be completed within seven days," said Dr. Harsha Priyamvada, Deputy Commissioner of Police (Law and Order).

"We are already monitoring the movements of 90 notorious rowdies under our jurisdiction. The City Crime Branch's Rowdy Prevention Unit is maintaining strict surveillance. The formation of squads in all police stations will further strengthen enforcement," added Mohammad Sharif Rawther, Assistant Commissioner of Police.

Council elections

BJP names Raghu Kautilya and Lingaraj Patil

Prof. M. Nagaraja is BJP candidate for Rajya Sabha seat

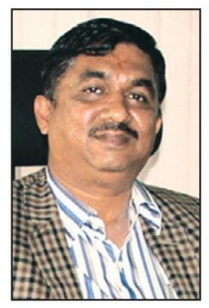
Bengaluru, June 8 (DM)- Just a day ahead of the deadline for filing nominations, the BJP late last evening announced its candidates for the upcoming elections to the Legislative Council and Rajya Sabha from Karnataka.

The party named State BJP OBC Morcha President Raghu Kautilya and Lingaraj Patil as its candidates for the Legislative Council polls from the Karnataka Assembly segment. The BJP is contesting the elections in alliance with the JD(S) in the State.

For the Rajya Sabha seat, the party announced Prof. M. Nagaraja as its nominee. With this decision, speculation over the BJP-led NDA possibly renominating JD(S) supremo and former Prime Minister H.D. Deve Gowda has come to an end.

Today (June 8) is the last day for filing nominations. Scrutiny of papers will be held on June 9 while June 11 is the last date for withdrawal of nominations. Polling for both Legislative Council and Rajya Sabha seats will take place on June 18, with results expected the same evening.

Meanwhile, the BJP-JD (S) alliance has added a new dimension to the Legislative Council contest by fielding a third candidate to counter the fifth nominee announced by the ruling Congress. The coalition has fielded JD(S) leader Govindaraju, who is expected to file his nomination on the final day.



Raghu Kautilya

Lingaraj Patil

Raghu Kautilya, who hails from Mysuru and belongs to the backward Madiwala community, had earlier contested Legislative Council elections from the local bodies Constituency in the Mysuru-Chamarajanagar segment in 2015 and 2021 on a BJP ticket, narrowly losing on both occasions.

He has previously served as Chairman of the Karnataka Exhibition Authority (KEA), the D. Devaraj Urs Backward Classes Development Corporation and Mysuru-based Mysore Paints and Varnish Limited (MPVL).

The ruling Congress had announced four candidates for the Legislative Council polls last week and added a fifth nominee a few days ago after D.K. Shivakumar assumed charge as the Chief Minister.

City Police hold property parade

1.578-kg gold, 3.578-kg silver, 10 vehicles worth Rs. 2.09 crore and over Rs. 2.76 lakh cash recovered in 44 cases

Mysuru, June 8 (BLU&KS)- The Mysuru City Police held a property parade pertaining to recovery of stolen gold, silver, vehicles and cash by solving a total of 44 cases including property thefts and cheating which had taken place in the last three months.

Police had recovered a total of 1.578-kg and 743-milligram gold ornaments, 3.578-kg silver articles, 10 stolen vehicles worth about Rs. 2.09 crore and Rs. 2,76,786 cash in the 44 cases.

Addressing a press meet at her office in city this morning, City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar said that a total of 44 cases including one dacoity conspiracy case, two extortion cases, 10 robbery cases, nine house burglaries, four theft cases by house helps, 10 vehicles lifting, five petty thefts and three cheating cases, which had taken place in the last three months have been solved by arresting a total of 55 accused persons.

Some of the cases solved by the City Police in the last three months included the cheating case at Mandi Police limits with the arrest of two accused and recovery of 660-gram gold ingots worth Rs. 90 lakh; two house burglary cases in Vijayanagar Police limits with the arrest of two accused and recovery of 170-gram gold ornaments and readymade garments worth Rs. 23,50,000; arrest of two accused by CCB Police in three robbery and one house burglary cases and recovery of 173-gram and 260-milligram of gold ornaments worth Rs. 21 lakh; four house burglary cases in Saraswathipuram Police by arresting two accused and recovering 143-gram gold worth Rs. 18.40 lakh; and three petty thefts and one theft by house help in Lashkar Police limits by arresting four accused and recovering 202-gram gold and 192-gram silver worth Rs. 11.45 lakh among other cases.

The City Top Cop handed over a few gold jewellery items to the owners, who had produced relevant documents pertaining to the ownership of the items.

City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar handing over the recovered gold jewellery to its owner at the City Police Commissioner's Office in Nazarbad, Mysuru, this morning during property parade.

SDJ Gold Company fraud

City Police Commissioner Seema Latkar said that 310 complaints have been lodged against Soundar Raj alias Chinnathambi of SDJ Gold Company for cheating customers from 2017 till date. Chinnathambi has been remanded to Judicial Custody, she added.

The City Top Cop said that the assets of Chinnathambi including properties will be seized after obtaining permission from the Court and added that customers who have been cheated should come forward and lodge a complaint. She also said that legal action will be initiated against guides, if they are found cheating tourists coming to city.

DCPs Dr. Harsha Priyamvada (Law & Order) and K.S. Sundar Raj (Crime & Traffic) were present at the press meet.

Hunt on for elephant that killed retired IGP's wife

Herd leader radio-collared; six tuskers, 100 Forest staff deployed

Madikeri, June 8 (AG,PS& &BCT)- A massive Forest Department operation is underway near Konanakatte village, on the Thithimathi-Anechowkur border of the Nagarahole Tiger Reserve, to capture the wild elephant that fatally attacked Sandhya, wife of retired IPS officer and former IGP Sunil Achayya, in their coffee estate.

Following the incident, the Forest Department obtained permission to capture the elephant suspected to be responsible for the attack. More than 100 Forest personnel have been deployed for the operation, assisted by six trained elephants from the Mathigodu Elephant Camp, Bhima, Abhimanyu, Mahendra, Ganesh, Ekalavya and Srikanta.

As part of the search operation, officials radio-collared a male elephant believed to be the herd's leader yesterday. Authorities hope that tracking its movements will help locate and isolate the female elephant involved in the fatal attack.

Each radio collar costs around Rs. 30 lakh. Before commencing the operation, customary pujas were performed for the six elephants, following which the tracking teams entered the forest.

Leader blind in one eye

Speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning, Mathigodu (Anechowkur) Range Assistant Conservator of Forests Narayan Lakshmikanth said that the herd comprises four elephants.

"The tusker that was radio-collared yesterday is the herd leader and is blind in one eye. Besides him, there is one female elephant and two other tuskers in the group. We have identified the elephant involved in the attack on the retired IGP's wife. The herd leader was fitted with a radio collar because tracking its movements will help us monitor the entire herd," he said.

Lakshmikanth said, the herd leader became separated from the group during the darting and radio-collaring operation.

"We are tracking the herd on the ground and are also using drones to monitor its movement. The operation resumed early this morning and is progressing on multiple fronts," he added.

Forest officials said, the operation has been intensified, with teams working round the clock to ensure public safety. Residents of nearby villages, shaken by the fatal attack, have urged the Forest Department to act swiftly, saying recurring elephant attacks have heightened fear and anxiety.

Woman found hanging in house; murder suspected

Mysuru, June 8 (MK&KS)- A woman was found hanging in her house at Saraswathipuram this morning and the woman's family members, alleging murder by her husband, have lodged a complaint.

Sandhya

The deceased is Sandhya (30), wife of Akshay and residing on the 7th Main Road in Saraswathipuram here.

It is learnt that Sandhya, daughter of former Hunsur City Municipal Council (formerly Town Municipal Council) President Geetha Ningaraju was given in marriage to Akshay, son of Mahadev of T.K. Layout in 2013 and the couple have two children who are studying in 5th and 3rd Standards.

Sandhya's family members and relatives said that there were frequent quarrels between the couple and alleged that Akshay had murdered Sandhya and in a bid to project it as a suicide, he (Akshay) had hanged Sandhya. Saraswathipuram Police, who reached the spot, conducted mahazar and tried to shift the body for post-mortem but were prevented by the relatives of Sandhya, who urged the Police to initiate legal action against Akshay, who is absconding.

Finally, the Police managed to convince Sandhya's relatives about the legal procedure and shifted the body to MMC&RI mortuary for post-mortem.

Saraswathipuram Police, who have registered a case in this regard, are investigating.

Vintage Vignettes
... from a Princely State

By R.G. Singh
Secretary, Ramsons Kala Pratishtana

This photograph of the seated Maharaja, H.H. Chamarajendra Wadiyar Bahadur X (1863-1894) and his brothers *(from L-R:* ***Prince Gopala Raje Urs, H.H. CRW and Prince Subramanya Raje Urs) was taken in 1876 by the famous photographers Bourne and Shepherd which had studios at Calcutta, Bombay and Simla (1864-1900). The album of photographs was presented to Queen Victoria on 15th January 1887 by Dr. John William Tyler.***

Image Collection and Credit: Royal Archives, Royal Collection Trust, UK.

Sir Mirza Ismail, who was Dewan of Mysore from 1926 to 1941, in the first chapter of his book *'My Public Life - Recollections and Reflections,'* ***mentions that his father accepted the honorary post of Musahib or Aide-de-camp of the young Maharaja Sri Chamarajendra Wadiyar X (r. 1868-1894) on the persuasion of C. Rangacharlu who was Dewan from 1881 to 1883. "My father was devoted to the Maharaja and the attraction was mutual. His Highness' untimely death in Calcutta in 1894, when he was only 31 years old, was a grievous blow to the State and was universally deplored. Both his elder brothers, strangely enough, had died at exactly the same age and he had a pre-sentiment that he would not himself live beyond it."***

H.H. Chamarajendra Wadiyar's biological father Sardar Chikka Krishne Urs* had died about a week before the former's birth.

** The biological parents of H.H. Chamarajendra Wadiyar X and his brothers were Sardar Chikka Krishne Urs and Devajammanni (d/o Chikkalingaraj Urs of Haginavalu). Sardar Chikka Krishne Urs hailed from Bettada Kote family and was the son of Krishne Urs who was the eldest brother of Devajammanni and Cheluvajammanni, who were the first and third wives, respectively, of Maharaja H.H. Krishnaraja Wadiyar III (1794-1868).*

Yakshagana performances captivate audiences in Mysuru

Mysuru, June 8- The Yakshagana performances staged under the joint aegis of Deepa Educational Institution, Deepa House Building Co-operative Society, Sri Gokarnanatheshwara Trust, Bunts Association Mysuru, Federation of Dakshina Kannada and Coastal District Associations, Mysuru and Sri Mahalingeshwara Temple, K. Hemmanahalli, won the hearts of Yakshagana enthusiasts in the cultural city recently.

The unique art form of the coastal region offered a refreshing and enriching experience to art lovers of Mysuru.

Artistes from the popular Tenkutittu tradition's Sri Kodandarama Kripaposhita Yakshagana Mandali, Hanumagiri, presented these mythological Yakshagana performances.

The rhythmic beats of the *chende* and *maddale,* soulful singing by the Bhagavatars and the energetic dance-drama performances of the artistes created a memorable experience for the audience.

On Day-1, at the auditorium of Jaganmohan Palace, the troupe presented *Sri Ramanjaneya* (poet: Kadandale Ramaraya), *Sri Sudarshana Vijaya* (poet: Madhukumar Bolara) and *Raktha Rathri* (poet: Balipa Narayana Bhagavata).

On Day-2, at Asha Prakash Shetty Bunts Bhavan, the artistes staged *Damayanthi Punaswayamvara* (poet: Dhvajapurada Nagappayya) and *Srinivasa Kalyana* (poet: Agari Srinivasa Bhagavata).

All five prasangas were drawn from mythological narratives and introduced audiences to stories from the Epics and Puranas. The writers of these prasangas are among the eminent poets of Kannada literature. Their poetic excellence, social & mythological insight and the authentic flavour of Yakshagana deeply impressed the spectators.

The Bhagavatike by Ravichandra Kannadikatte and Chinmaya Bhat Kalkadk, along with the experienced ensemble of senior artistes, brought the mythological tales vividly alive before the audience.

Each prasanga is renowned for its unique storyline. Themes such as the relationship between devotees and the divine, emotional bonds and battles were imaginatively brought to life on stage by the performers.

The audience response on both days was overwhelming, reflecting the enduring appreciation and recognition that Yakshagana continues to enjoy even today.

All India Sub-Junior (U-15 & 17) Ranking Badminton Tournament-2026

Vishal & Hansika pair bag silver in mixed doubles

Hansika Rakesh and Boppanda Vishal Uthappa posing with their medals and certificates.

Mysuru, June 8 (VNS)- Boppanda Vishal Uthappa and Hansika Rakesh brought laurels to Karnataka by winning a silver medal in the U-15 mixed doubles at the All India Sub-Junior (U-15 & 17) Ranking Badminton Tournament-2026 held at Pullela Gopichand Academy in Hyderabad recently.

The tournament was organised by Badminton Association of India (BAI) in association with Telangana Badminton Association. Both Vishal and Hansika train at the Pullela Gopichand Badminton Academy in Hyderabad.

A native of Kodagu, Vishal Uthappa is the son of Boppanda P. Bheemaiah and K.K. Kusuma couple. Meanwhile, Hansika, a native of Mysuru, is the daughter of Rakesh Siddharamu and Pavithra.

Medal winners of National Kudo Championship

Seen in the picture are** (from left) **N.K. Jeevan (1st place in Male Cadets U-21 Pl 230 category), Coach Mohammed Saqeeb Ur Rahman (1st place in the Male above 31 Senior Pl +270 category) and M. Jeevan (2nd place in the U-16 63 kg category).

Mysuru, June 8- Students of SMK Academy and Fitness Studio, Mysuru, bagged medals in 4th Kudo National Championship Cup 2026-27 organised & conducted by Kudo International Federation India (KIFI) at Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Boys' Military School & Junior College at Pune in Maharashtra recently.

State Ranking Table Tennis Tournament from June 18

Mysuru, June 8- Mysore District Table Tennis Association (MDTTA) will be organising LIC Cup Karnataka State Ranking Table Tennis Tournament-2026 at University of Mysore Gymnasium Hall at Maharaja's College Grounds from June 18 to 21.

The tournament will be held in U-11, U-13, U-15, U-17 and U-19 categories for both boys and girls along with men's and women's singles tournaments.

Players can register their entries online by visiting *https://karnatakatabletennis.in.* Last date for submitting entries is June 14. For more details, contact Rohit on Mob: 94487-50558, according to a press release from Karnataka Table Tennis Association Hon. Secretary K.R. Manjunatha.

Golf: Pranavi Urs to represent India in Asian Games

Mysuru, June 8 (VNS)- City's Pranavi Urs has been selected for the second time in a row to represent India in golf at the upcoming Asian Games 2026 to be held at Aichi-Nagoya, Japan, starting from Sept. 19.

The Indian Golf Union (IGU) named a six-member team (three men and three women) which includes double Olympian and Asian Games 2023 silver medallist Aditi Ashok (World No. 135), Diksha Dagar (World No. 221) and Pranavi Urs (World No. 270) in the women's team and Sandhu (World No 451), Veer Ahlawat (World No. 558) and Saptak Talwar (World No. 576) for this year's Asian Games.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore,* Pranavi said, "It feels good to be representing the country at an international event. It was always in the back of my mind from the beginning of the year to make it to my second Asian Games (held once in 4 years) and I am glad to have made it."

After representing the country in the Asian Games held at China in 2023, Pranavi will be donning the Indian jersey again in Japan later this year. It may be recalled that in the last Asian Games, the Indian women's golf team comprising Aditi Ashok, Pranavi Urs and Avani Prashanth narrowly missed out on a team podium finish, finishing fourth overall while the men's team finished eighth.

This year, the women's team will be aiming at the gold to stamp their authority among the Asian countries.

Mysuru golfer has made it to the Indian women's golf team for second time after 2023

Pranavi, who turned professional in 2020, will be playing a number of tournaments in the Ladies European Tour (LET) as part of her preparation for the big event.

"I will be playing a lot of tournaments as a preparation for the Asian Games. We have done well in the previous Asian Games held in China. While Aditi won a silver medal, the women's team narrowly missed out on a medal. This year, we are confident of winning a medal," said Pranavi.

Pranavi will be playing at the Dutch Ladies Open at Goyer Golf and Country Club in Netherlands, Tipsport Czech Ladies Open at Royal Beroun Golf Club in Prague, Czech Republic, Hulencourt Women's Open at Hulencourt in Belgium, ISPS Handa Scottish Open at Dundonald Links in Scotland among others before the Asian Games.

> **"It feels good to be representing the country at an international event. It was always in the back of my mind from the beginning of the year to make it to my second Asian Games and I am glad to have made it."**
>
> —Pranavi Urs, Indian Golfer

Pranavi Urs is the daughter of Sharath Chandra Raj Urs and M.L. Kaivalya Urs, residents of Lakshmipuram in Mysuru.

8th Malaysian Intl. Open Masters Athletics Championship

Jail Head Warder Uma wins two medals

M.S. Uma

Mysuru, June 8 (VNS)- M.S. Uma, Head Warder at K.R. Nagar Sub Jail in Mysuru district, won two medals at the 8th Malaysian International Open Masters Athletics Championship at Kuala Lumpur which concluded yesterday.

Taking part in the 200 mts walking race, Uma won a silver medal apart from a bronze in the 200 mts race.

A native of Kollegal taluk in Chamarajanagar district, Uma is a resident of Jail Quarters near Fountain Circle in city. She joined the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services in 2008.

She was first posted in Madikeri and later served in Mysuru before being transferred to K.R. Nagar Sub Jail as Head Warder following her promotion.

Pramod Naik, her husband, is an employee of a private firm in Karwar and the couple has two children Harshith and Hansika.

Bags gold in athletics

Ajay Prithviraj

Mysuru, June 8 (VNS)- Ajay Prithviraj, a 10th Std student of Ideal Jawa Rotary School in city, won a gold medal in the 600 mts race organised by Karnataka Athletic Association as part of World Kids Athletics Day celebrations at Sri Kanteerava Stadium in Bengaluru recently.

He is the son of M. Lingaraju and Sangeetha, residents of Gayathripuram.

WORD OF THE DAY

Interloper

Pronunciation: in-ter-LOH-per (noun)
Meaning: An interloper is a person who intrudes in a place or sphere of activity; they are not wanted or welcome by the other people present.
Origin: If you keep chickens, a coyote loping around in the vicinity of your coop is not welcome. You'd be justified, both semantically and etymologically, in calling such a coyote an interloper. The -loper part of interloper shares an ancestor with the Old English verb hlēapan, meaning "to leap," and the Dutch verb lopen, meaning "to run." (The verb lope does too.) The prefix inter- means "between" or "among," so an interloper is essentially one that leaps in among others (for example, a flock of hens) without an invitation to do so. Interloper made itself at home among English speakers in the late 1500s; the verb interlope, which arrived close in tow in the early 1600s, is likely a back-formation.
Example: "... my garden is wildlife friendly, sometimes too friendly. By not being overly concerned about interlopers, it welcomes birds and bugs now, including beneficial insects. They help keep things in balance. Not so welcome are rabbits, but they still find their way in." —David Hobson, The Waterloo (Ontario) Region Record, 16 Apr. 2026

THE ODD WORD

Iconophobia

Fear or hatred of images

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Fixed in your ways

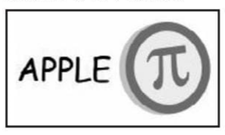
Meaning: The phrase 'Fixed in your ways' ('Set in your ways') is used to explain someone who refuses to change.
Origin: This phrase can be found in the early 1940 from: Collier's, Volume 106 Crowell-Collier Publishing Company "well, here it is," the McCoy tough guy explained. "We're from New York and you're from New York and we see you're okay. So we're out here for the fight. On business. The fix is in and the white boy wins.
Example: "I tried to explain the new plan's benefits, but she's set in her ways and refuses to listen."

QUOTE BOX

Life is really simple, but we insist on making it complicated.**—Confucius**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:



Answer: Apple Pie.

SUDOKU

			7			2		
					9	6	3	
	1				5	8		
3				7				
4	5		2		8		6	1
				4				2
		6	1				9	
	4	5	9					
		9			3			

Answer to previous puzzle

9	6	2	5	1	8	7	3	4
1	3	5	6	7	4	8	9	2
8	4	7	3	2	9	5	6	1
5	9	3	8	6	2	1	4	7
4	7	8	9	3	1	6	2	5
6	2	1	4	5	7	3	8	9
2	1	4	7	8	6	9	5	3
7	5	6	2	9	3	4	1	8
3	8	9	1	4	5	2	7	6

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Young boy
4 Slurry
8 A very small amount or degree; bit
11 The French for 'friend'
12 Computer data
14 Hasten or hurry in archaic English
15 ___ Arun : playback singer ?
16 Rolls or catalogues
17 Our air-force in short
18 __ __ spade a spade : be forthright (4,1)
20 Check the ore
22 Delicious
24 Bother
25 Tennis star Nastase
28 Ryzen manufacturer
30 Tug
34 "Little" abbr.
35 Peruvian coin
36 Marsupial (colloq.)
37 Prefix for one thousand
39 First number
40 Lends a hand
41 Prohibit
43 Water barrier
45 Allege
48 Gallic school
52 He is or he has contracted?
53 Creature
57 "And" in Hindi
58 Writing fluid
59 Muscat native
60 USA's longest serving President in short
61 Time To Station, abbr.
62 Applications
63 Save our souls... in short

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

	P	U	S			G	B	S			
	F	I	R	T	H		I	R	I	S	H
S	U	N	D	A	E		B	A	N	T	U
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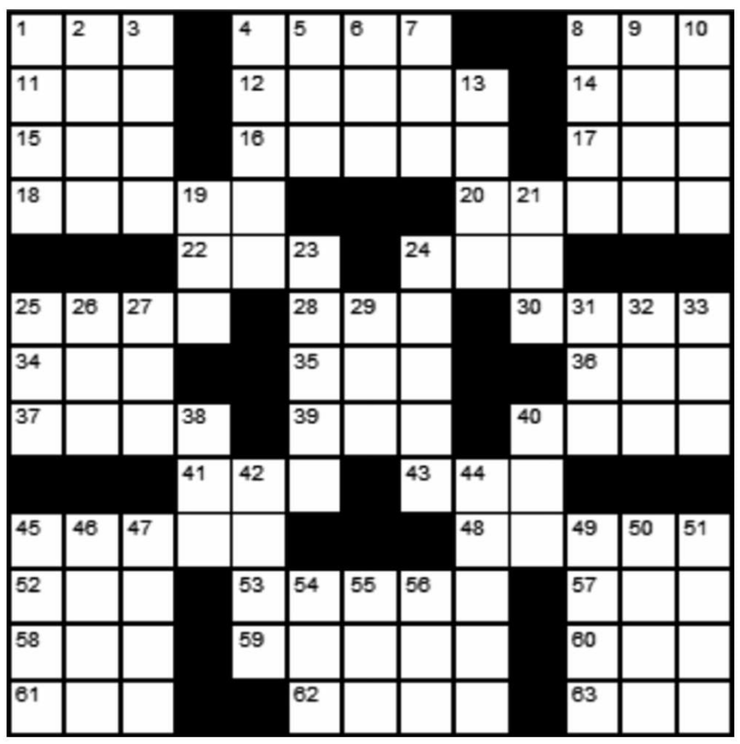
	R	A	T	O	N		E	O	N	I	A	N
	D	I	O	D	E		D	R	O	N	E	
		M	E	R			I	T	S			

DOWN

1 Not of the clergy
2 Small green fruit
3 Watch face
4 Indian rice dish
5 Varsity
6 Records
7 __ one's oar in : meddle or interfere with?
8 Not that!
9 American Inst. of Aeronautics and Astronautics
10 Resist boldly
13 Russian ruler
19 Cleaning agent
21 Firmament
23 Pink Floyd's Nick
24 Did nothing
25 Kind
26 52 in Roman numerals
27 Out of sorts
29 "My" in French ?
31 Jackie's second
32 Incline head
33 Knock outs, abbr.
38 Kimono sash
40 Annual maintenance contract
42 Ancient church desk
44 Sponsorship
45 Voucher
46 Pre Easter season
47 Inquires of
49 Idiotic persons
50 Board game along with snakes and ladder
51 Commits a mistake or a sin
54 Flightless bird
55 Indian Administrative Service, in short
56 Weather-report abbr.



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

LQF PKTLJFU LQF VYJPIJGS, LQF IFFCFU

XYNL LQF TKYGIZLJKG VF PZJI.

TODAY'S CLUE: V EQUALS B

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Education alone can conduct us to that enjoyment which is, at once, best in quality and infinite in quantity.

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	(S-3)	11 am, 4.40 pm, 9.50 pm
Lo Naveena (K)	(S-1)	11.20 am
Peddi (Te)	(S-1)	1.55 pm, 8.30 pm
	(S-4)	9.45 am, 4 pm
Peddi (K)	(S-2)	1 pm
Bandar (H)	(S-1)	5.40 pm; (S-2) 7 pm
Mango Pachcha (K)	(S-2)	10.45 am, 4.50 pm; (S-3) 7.35 pm
Mollywood Times (Ma)	(S-2)	10 pm
He Man & The Masters of Universe (E)	(S-3)	1.40 pm
	(S-4)	7.40 pm
Obsession (E)	(S-4)	1.35 pm, 10.30 pm

MOVIES AT MYSURU VISION CINEMAS Ph: 2973519

Mango Pachcha (K)	:	10.25 am, 12.25 pm, 7.45 pm
Alexander (K)	:	10.50 am
Peddi (K)	:	11 am, 2.30 pm, 7.45 pm
Peddi (Te)	:	12.35 pm, 4.10, 6 pm, 9.30 pm
Lo Naveena (K)	:	1.20 pm
Hai Jawani Toh Ishq Hona Hai (H)	:	2.25 pm, 5.05 pm, 9.45 pm
Parimala and Co (Ta)	:	3.50 pm
Blast (Ta)	:	6.30 pm
Mollywood Times (Ma)	:	9.20 pm

MOVIES AT NEXUS MALL

Peddi (Te)	:	9 am, 11.45 am, 3.45 pm
		6.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Peddi (K)	:	10.20 am, 6 pm
Peddi (H)	:	2.10 pm, 9.50 pm
Hai Jawani Toh Ishq Hona Hai (H)	:	9.05 am, 12.50 pm, 3.35 pm
		7.35 pm, 10.20 pm
Mango Pachcha (K)	:	9.05 am, 12.35 pm, 5.10 pm
		8 pm, 9.45 pm
He- Man and The Masters of The Universe (E)	:	10 am, 12.55 pm
		6.45 pm, 9.40 pm
Obsession (E)	:	10.15 am, 2.45 pm
		7.20 pm, 10.10 pm
Drishyam 3 (Ma)	:	11 am
Blast (Ta)	:	2.15 pm
Parimala and Co (Ta)	:	3.50 pm
Michael (E)	:	5.15 pm

MOVIES AT GARUDA MALL

Mango Pachcha (K)	:	9.55 am, 2.45 pm, 7.50 pm
Peddi (Te)	:	10 am, 1.50 pm
		5.40 pm, 9.30 pm
Peddi (K)	:	1.05 pm, 10 pm
Peddi (H)	:	10.30 pm
Hai Jawani Toh Ishq Hona Hai (H)	:	10.10 am, 11.50 am
		4.55 pm, 7.35 pm
He- Man and The Masters of The Universe (E)	:	1.40 pm, 7.25 pm
Lo Naveena (K)	:	4.55 pm
Mollywood Times (Ma)	:	10.20 pm

Power disruption

Mysuru, June 8- As Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Ltd. (KPTCL) has taken up quarterly maintenance works at 66/11 KV Doddakere Maidan Power Distribution Centre, power supply will be disrupted in the following areas on June 9 between 10 am and 5.30 pm:

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EVENTS TODAY (JUNE 8)

Confederation of Real Estate Developers of India (CREDAI), Mysuru Centre, Builders Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre and Income Tax Department: Interaction Session on 'Assessment issues related to Real Estate Builders and Developers under the New Income Tax Act, 2025,' Kalpalata Rajan, Additional Commissioner of Income Tax, Range-1, Mysuru, S. Venkatesan, Assistant Commissioner of Income Tax, Circle-1(1), Mysuru and R. Ranganathan, Dy/Assistant Commissioner of Income Tax, guest officers, Mysore Builders Charitable Trust (MBCT) Auditorium, Vishweshwaranagar, **5 pm.**

Sri Krishna Temple, Gokulam: Adhika Masa, Vishnu Sahasranama Patana, Discourse on 'Sri Krishna' by G.C. Puttaswamy, Prasada Viniyoga, Temple premises, Gokulam, **6 pm.**

The Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), Mysuru Local Centre, The Indian Water Works Association (IWWA), Mysuru Centre, Karnataka Urban Water Supply & Drainage Board, Mysuru and Department of Environmental Engineering, Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering (SJCE), JSS Science and Technology University (JSS STU), Mysuru: World Environment Day celebrations, Dr. D. Ravishankar, Professor of Practice, Department of Environment Engineering, SJCE - JSS STU and Prof. Kumudha Mayur, Bharathi College Post Graduate & Research Centre and Founder-StatMint Innovations LLP, Mandya, speakers, H.S. Suresh Babu, Chairman, IEI Mysuru, presides, S.P. Bhat Hall, IEI premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**

Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Public Charitable Trust: Adhika Masa pujas, discourse on 'Anjananandanotsav - Sri Sundarakanda' by N.K. Ramasheshan, Sri Rama Mandira premises, Vinoba Road, Shivarampet, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (JUNE 9)

Bharani Art Gallery: Art Exhibition, Gallery premises, 3rd Main, 6th Cross, Vivekananda Nagar, **11 am to 7 pm.** [Mob: 94485-54221]

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Peddi (Te)	:	9 am, 3.45 pm, 10.30 pm
Peddi (K)	:	11.45 am, 3.15 pm
		6.30 pm, 9.30 pm
Peddi (H)	:	10 pm
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Mango Pachcha (K)	:	10.15 am, 3.15 pm, 7.50 pm
Parimala and Co (Ta)	:	12.20 pm
Obsession (E)	:	12.50 pm, 5.25 pm, 7.05 pm

MOVIES AT CENTRO MALL

Hai Jawani Toh Ishq Hona Hai (H)	:	9.45 am, 4.30 pm
		7.25 pm, 10.20 pm
Peddi (Te)	:	10 am, 1.50 pm
		5.40 pm, 9.30 pm
Peddi (K)	:	12.40 pm, 4.30 pm, 10.30 pm
He- Man and The Masters of The Universe (E)	:	10.25 am, 7.15 pm
Mango Pachcha (K)	:	12.10 pm, 2.20 pm, 8.20 pm
Blast (Ta)	:	1.20 pm
Parimala and Co (Ta)	:	4.20 pm
Mollywood Times (Ma)	:	10.10 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there is no minimum audience of 15.

BVA course

Mysuru, June 8- Chamarajendra Government College of Visual Arts (CAVA), Siddarthanagar in city, has invited applications from 2nd PUC or equivalent passed students for admission to 1st year BVA (Bachelor of Visual Arts) course for the academic year 2026-27.

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